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Major Crofoot, Grand Promoter

The Up to Date Frenzied Financier
Lets His Laundress In on the
Ground Floor.

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MAJOR CROFOOT, grand promoter and up to date frenzied financier, sat with his feet on his office desk and a worried look on his face. It was the season for fishing, but gudgeons were scarce. When the door behind him softly opened he felt a chill go up his back. He had made a close study of the way a creditor enters an office, and he realized that the comer was one. He had already decided that it was a woman, and the chances were even up that it was one of his numerous landladies who had unearthed him when the person strode into view.

It was a woman, but not one of his landladies. It took him half a minute



"WHERE YOU LOOKING FOR ANYBODY?" as she stood there to recognize her as the laundress he had parted from three months previous. The parting had been a very quiet one. He had simply retired from that quarter of the city and killed two birds with one stone—landlady and laundress.

"So I have found you out?" said the laundress as she sat down on a broken backed chair and set her jaw.

"Can it be my dear laundress, Mrs. Hazleton?" exclaimed the major as he jumped up. "No. But it is. Excuse this emotion, my dear woman, but you take me off my feet. So you did not die?"

"Because people who are hit by a three ton automobile and flung a hundred feet high generally die over it. When I was told by a policeman that you had been hit and taken to the hospital and the last reports from you showed that you had been unconscious for thirty hours I gave up all hopes. I felt almost as if a sister of mine was passing from earth away. Well, well, but how strangely things do turn out. Here you are, in the best of health and with a complexion that a princess might envy, and all the time I have thought of you as lying 'neath the willow.'"

"Sir, you owe me for doing up seventeen shirts," solemnly replied the woman, not in the least flattered by his words.

"It cannot be, Mrs. Hazleton—it cannot be. I never owned seventeen shirts at once in my life."

"Then it was doing up one shirt seventeen times, which amounts to the same thing. I was never struck by an auto. I never went to the hospital. No policeman ever held any conversation with you about me. You simply tried to bilk me. I have been looking for you for weeks. I have found you. I want my money."

"My dear, dear woman, do you know what a confidence is?" asked the major as he walked about.

"You owe me for seventeen shirts, sir."

"And I sat here thinking of you as you entered that door. I was wondering if you had a tombstone at your grave. As I wondered the tears came to my eyes. In my days of poverty you were one of the few who trusted me. Instead of demanding cash down when I came for my shirt you wrapped it up and smiled on me. Many and many a time I vowed that—"

"You vowed that you would dead-bait me, and you did, but you'll pay now or there'll be a row."

"And when I got to thinking that your grave was unmarked I felt it my duty to order a tombstone for it. I should have got one with a lamb on top. It would have stated that you were virtuous, honest and always ironed the wrinkles out. Not the equal of steam, perhaps, but better than a John Chinaman. That tombstone would have cost all of \$200, Mrs. Hazleton, and the potted flowers on the grave would have cost \$25 more. That's the kind of a man I am."

"Seventeen shirts, Major Crofoot, and I don't leave until I am paid."

"Why mix seventeen shirts with sentiment, my dear woman? However, let me say to you that I am glad you are here. The debt is one of honor and shall be discharged at once. Seventeen shirts at 8 cents apiece is \$1.36. I could hand you a check for that amount and you would go away smiling, but am I any such man? Would that express the gratitude welling up in my bosom every time my thoughts have turned to you? Heaven forbid! I was on my uppers when you trusted me.

I even believe you would have loaned me money in addition."

"Never in this world!" emphatically replied the laundress.

"You gave me a chance. You instilled hope and ambition where all was dark despair before. It was only after I heard of your death that fortune began to smile on me. She came at me with a broad grin on her face when she did come. Mrs. Hazleton, are you prepared to take the secretaryship of the Great American Canned Cabbage company at a salary of \$30,000 a year?"

"No, sir. I'll take nothing but my money."

"There is a worldwide demand for canned cabbage. We put it up either raw or boiled. We use both white and pink cabbage. We have testimonials from presidents, kings and emperors as to what our goods are. Put up in twenty-five cent cans and a profit of 10 cents on every can. We are shipping 20,000 cans to India today. Lillian Russell is going to retire from the stage so as to have nothing to do but eat our cabbage. I shall let you in on the ground floor for as stock is concerned. It is 90 today, but will double in two weeks. Let me show my gratitude by—"

"By paying this little bill," interrupted the laundress.

The major sat down at his desk and figured for a few seconds before saying:

"My dear woman, you are missing the golden opportunity of your life. The demand for our canned cabbage is something gigantic. As secretary all you would have to do would be to send out circulars to boarding houses and boom out goods to laundresses. Have you got a two dollar bill about you?"

"I have it won't get into your hands."

"Two dollars handed me today will reserve you \$10,000 worth of stock."

"I'll have none of it."

"Then the only way left to me to show my gratitude is to hand you a check for \$50 and let you run across to the bank and cash it. Your full name is—is what, please?"

"Eliza Jane Hazleton, sir."

"Ah, I remember now. There was never an Eliza Jane yet but what was a dear, good woman. Here, dear, take this. They may pay you a hundred at the bank by mistake. If they do so run right along with the money, and don't let your conscience trouble you. We are now square, and I trust that nothing more will ever happen to bring about a coldness between us. Farewell, old friend—farewell."

Mrs. Hazleton was yet on the stairs when the major clapped on his hat and left the building by another entrance. He was not therefore to hear the woman when she returned ten minutes later and knocked on his door and shouted:

"You old rascal, but the check is no good!"

"Madam," said the real estate man as he came out into the hall, "were you looking for anybody?"

"That Major Crofoot, sir. He's given me a bad check."

"Did he say that he would let you in on the ground floor?"

"He did, sir."

"Well, he's done it, and there is no kick coming to you. Please go away. I'm expecting a customer here every minute to buy a huckleberry farm, and you are making noise enough to scare half a dozen men away."

M. QUAD.

Another Good Man Gone Wrong.

He neglected to take Foley's Kidney Cure at the first signs of kidney trouble, hoping it would wear away, and he was soon a victim of Bright's disease. There is danger in delay, but if Foley's Kidney Cure is taken at once the symptoms will disappear, the kidneys are strengthened and you are soon sound and well. A. R. Biss, of Morgantown, Ind., had to get up ten or twelve times in the night, and had severe backache and pains in the kidneys, and was cured by Foley's Kidney Cure. Jackson Drug Co.

A Golf Rule.



"Keep your head still" is the first rule in golf, and Binks means to do so. —Punch.

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"I am the luckiest man in Arkansas," writes H. L. Stanley, of Bruno, "since the restoration of my wife's health after five years of continuous coughing and bleeding from the lungs; and I owe my good fortune to the world's greatest medicine, Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, which I know from experience will cure consumption if taken in time. My wife improved with the first bottle and twelve bottles completed the cure." Cures the worst coughs and colds or money refunded. At Jackson Drug Co's. 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottles free.

A Hard Case.



He—Do you think it would be foolish of me to marry a woman who was my intellectual inferior?

She—I don't know that it would be foolish, but it would be a difficult thing for you to do.

Cured Hay Fever and Summer Colds.

A. J. Nussbaum, Batesville, Indiana, writes: "Last year I suffered for three months with a summer cold so distressing that it interfered with my business. I had many of the symptoms of hay fever, and a doctor's prescription did not reach my case, and I took several medicines which seemed to only aggravate my case. Fortunately I insisted upon having Foley's Honey and Tar and it quickly cured me. My wife has since used Foley's Honey and Tar with the same success. Jackson Drug Co.

To Make It Tender.

"Walter," called the customer in the restaurant where an orchestra was playing.

"Yes, sah."

"Kindly tell the leader of the orchestra to play something sad and low while I dine. I want to see if it won't have a softening influence on this steak." —Milwaukee Sentinel.

Given Up to Die.

B. Spiegel, 124 N. Virginia Street, Evansville, Ind., writes: "For over five years I was troubled with kidney and bladder affections which caused me much pain and worry. I lost flesh and was all run down, and a year ago had to abandon work entirely. I had three of the best physicians who did me no good and I was practically given up to die. Foley's Kidney Cure was recommended and the first bottle gave me great relief, and after taking the second bottle I was entirely cured. Jackson Drug Co.

Just Out.



The Duck—Your ma is looking every-where for you.

The Chick—Tell her I'm out.

How to Avoid Appendicitis.

Most victims of appendicitis are those who are habitually constipated. Orino Laxative Fruit Syrup cures chronic constipation by stimulating the liver and bowels and restores the natural action of the bowels. Orino Laxative Fruit Syrup does not nauseate or gripe and is mild and pleasant to take. Refuse substitutes. Jackson Drug Co.

Consolation.

"Amid all de slings and arrows of injustice dat so inhumanly conflicts de cullud man," said Brother Utterback, "dar am one pompos consolation—no nigger ever comes home and gits a beatin' fum de wife of his buzzom uh-kase of a long blond hair she happens to find on de lapel of his coat. Uck! Nassah!—Puck.

Freightfully Burned.

Chas. W. Moore, a machinist of Ford City, Pa., had his right hand frightfully burned in an electrical furnace. He applied Bucklen's Arnica Salve with the usual result: "a quick and perfect cure." Greatest healer on earth for Burns, Wounds, Sores, Eczema and Piles. Price 25 cents at Jackson Drug Co's.

Before the Wedding Trip.



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\$3.00 Bedsteads go at \$2.25.
\$8.00 Music Cabinets go at \$5.00.

Prices cut on Bureaus, Wash Stands, Dressers, Center Tables, Rocking Chairs, and in fact, we cut the price on everything in the house for the next two weeks. If you need Furniture, now is the time to buy. We are overstocked and want to sell. Don't delay, but come at once, while you can save money.

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A farm of about 100 acres within 3 1/2 miles of Jackson. Good dwelling and barn. Also, a store house, about 50 acres in cultivation, balance woodland. Title perfect. A good home and cheap at the price. \$1,600 buys it.

Another tract of land on the upper Twin Branch of Spring Fork, about 1 1/2 miles from Lambrie. This tract contains 264 and is well

timbered and a virgin forest and adjoining the lands of the Continental Realty Company. A bargain for anyone looking after timber or coal lands. A coal vein about 5 1/2 feet thick. Price \$1,250.

A tract of land at the mouth of Spring Fork, containing 350 acres, a good dwelling, a good store house, a good barn, about 20 acres bottom land. Most of the balance well timbered with poplar and oak close to floating water. This is one of the best locations for a store in Breathitt county. Price \$3,300.

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FRIDAY AUGUST 3.

CORRESPONDENCE.

ROUSSEAU.

George Arnett is teaching us a good school.

Lee Patton has begun sawing ties on Wolfe creek.

N. H. Sally and French Miller will start about September 1st for Oklahoma.

R. M. McQuinn brought four prairie dogs with him on his return from Oklahoma.

The families of Buck Back and Ira McIntosh are mixing up considerably. Ira's boy married Buck's girl and Buck's boy married Ira's girl at the same time.

The funeral of Susan Gillum will be conducted at the grave yard at Bays on the fourth Sunday in September by Rev. Daniel McIntosh and others.

TURKEY.

W. M. Moore has recovered from his illness.

George Griffith was at this place the first of the week.

T. J. Terry, of Jett's Creek, was here one day last week.

Lee Gibson, of Cow Creek, was here on business Saturday.

Luther Little and wife visited at C. T. Terry Sunday.

W. D. Back, of Jackson, was in this vicinity last week on business.

P. Barrett has a job in the lumber yard on Meadow Creek and is there at work.

Most of the people of this neighborhood attended the convention at Jackson Saturday.

Mrs. Asbury Spicer and little son, Charlie, made a business trip to Jackson Saturday.

JETT'S CREEK.

Sam Little and Miss Ellen Calahan, both, of Canoe, were married last week by Squire I. C. Terry.

Quite a number of people of this vicinity have engaged in business at Polltown, Owsley county. They report wages good.

Henry McIntosh is going into the tie business. He is now having his logs cut and has employed Huram Bryant, of Athol, to saw them.

There will be preaching at Rev. Elisha Johnson's (Coon) Sunday August 5. Everybody come out and listen to the old Baptist expound the gospel.

The funeral of Mrs. Sarah Cardwell was preached Sunday, July 29, at the home of George McIntosh, by old Uncle Clinton Taylor. There was quite a large crowd present, considering the rainy day.

Our school, under the management of Mr. Mullens, is progressing nicely, and has an enrollment of 81 children out of 91 in the district. The daily attendance is an average of 60, the largest known in this district for years.

Among those who visited the home of Henry McIntosh Sunday were Robert and Daily Amburgy, Willie and H. C. Bryant, W. K. Terry Jr., and wife, Sam Mullens and Misses Martha Johnson and Lullie Bryant. They all had a hearty welcome and enjoyed Mr. and Mrs. McIntosh's hospitality.

ELKATAWA.

Miss Rogers, who is visiting here, will soon leave for Buckhorn, Perry county, where she will take charge of the primary department of the college there.

A revival meeting is being con-

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ducted at Kessler Chapel by Rev. Evans, the evangelist of Wilmore, Ky., who is a great power in winning souls to heaven. He is assisted by Rev. Evans, Jr., Miss Weathers and others. The meetings are attended by large crowds each afternoon and night. We extend a cordial invitation to the people of the neighboring community and anticipate a great good to be done to our vicinity. The services will continue for several days.

The J. O. U. A. M. has completed the foundation of their hall and hope ere long to commence work on their building, which promises to be a beautiful addition to our little village. This order has grown to be a large one here and has proven to be a great helper in enforcing the laws of our community and in bringing order to our citizens. It gives a loyal assistance to the common schools of our county, and demands the reading of the Bible in them, therefore, we think it profitable for every teacher in the county to enlist with us.

Our school is doing better work than ever before. It has a larger attendance and better discipline than was ever known. We heartily recommend the following to be of great importance to school work:

On each Friday afternoon we have a Bible class, conducted by Rev. Evans and teacher, in which all the school and visitors take a part. Then the following topics are discussed by the patrons of the district:

1st. How to Make the School More Attractive and Healthy--R. M. Shely, John Wyatt and Mr. Morris.

2nd. Use of the Bible in the School--Rev. Evan Evans.

3rd. The Compulsory School Law--Trustees.

4th. Patron's Duty at Home and at School--W. H. Little, F. M. Miller and J. H. Haddix.

5th. How to Secure Good Discipline In and Out of School--South Strong and E. C. Hurst.

ATHOL.

Mrs. C. M. Crawford is visiting friends in Midway and Indian Fields.

Rev. Winchester Stewart will preach Sunday morning at the church at this place.

The friends of Brownlow Thompson, agent at this place, regret that he and his wife have left Athol.

Matt Bowman, Sr., went to the Good Samaritan Hospital at Lexington last Wednesday for treatment, returning Thursday.

The storm of last week has injured the corn crops considerably, but the glorious showers which come down so gently most every day lend a ray of hope to the patient farmers.

The school at this place opened Monday in the Presbyterian church with Miss Calla Bowman teacher. There is a mission school in the district, also, which places the means of education within the grasp of all who desire to obtain it.

Sam Patton and wife, of Rousseau, were here Monday and Tuesday shopping.

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WHICK.

The Sulphur Gap school commenced last Monday a week ago with a large attendance of pupils and Green Campbell for teacher. The school being called to order, the opening exercises began first, by singing two hymns; second, introductory speech by teacher; third, address by L. C. Strong, on "Duties of Pupils and Teacher. Necessity of Education, Future Prospects of Boys and Girls Who Prepare Themselves for Business;" fourth, short address by Alson White, on "Duties of Pupils, Obedience to Teacher, etc.," fifth, short address by Edwin White on the same subject; sixth, speech by teacher, on "Education, Preparation for Life and Death."

After speaking the school was organized and went to business. We trust that under the supervision and management of such an accomplished gentleman as our teacher we will have another good school this session. We believe our trustees have made a wise choice in selecting Mr. Campbell to teach our school. We also hope that all the patrons of the district will send their children regular, which they must do, or be dealt with according to law. We invite all respectable people to visit our school and insure you that we can show you some of the best, brightest and most energetic boys and girls in Breathitt county.

Ladies' and misses skirts at reduced prices for the next 30 days at Hadden Bros.

LAMBRIC.

One of the most promising towns in Eastern Kentucky today is Lambrie. Situated as it is in the very center of the richest belt of timber and coal lands in Breathitt county, it is fast becoming the center of attraction. The following are some of the events which have taken place during the past year: Through the efforts of Green Shepherd a daily mail service has been secured, by the determined efforts of E. J. McKay a beautiful church is now almost completed, another long-hoped-for blessing has come at last--the physician, M. E. Hoge, M. D., and wife, of Winfield, W. Va., arrived here on July 28, where they are permanently located. Dr. Hoge spent several weeks during the past summer here seeking a location. He is a graduate of one of the best medical colleges in Louisville. In addition to this, Lambrie has two business houses engaged in the mercantile business, Blanton & Hogg, who succeeded S. P. Carpenter, and W. R. Shepherd & Sons, who succeeded Taulbee, Shepherd & Co. One other thing is needed and will surely come in answer to our earnest prayer, i. e., an academy. There is no better location nor no better material. Business men, if you have money to invest here is a good place.

NED.

The infant son of Z. H. Miller, who has been sick for some days, is better.

Mrs. John H. Combs has been seriously ill for the past few days, but is improving.

Samuel Grigsby, Sr., and Peggy Neace were married July 30, John H. Combs officiating.

The people of this vicinity are very much elated over the good work being done by Judge Taulbee and County Attorney J. Wise Hagins. The whoop and the yell have ceased and gave way to peace and pleasure. The people say we ought to have had them sooner. May their good work go on through their entire administration, and when their terms expire we hope they will consent to serve us again.

PERRY COUNTY.
TROUBLESOME.

As was said in a recent issue of THE BREATHITT COUNTY NEWS, on the 7th of July sorrow visited the home of Anderson Hays and taken away his oldest son. On the 26th ult. the Angel of Death again entered Mr. Hays' home and called away his youngest son. It seems that the Lord has taken two of the brightest youths away for a nobler purpose than could be given them here in this cold world, where every kind of evil influence and depredation abounds. The writer extends his deepest sympathy to Mr. Hays and family.

A Give-away.



"That savage is a fake. He's used to wearing good clothes." "What makes you think so?" "Why, didn't you notice how he pulls up his skin at the knees when he sits down?"--Harper's Weekly.

OWSLEY COUNTY.
BOONEVILLE.

Stave and tie floating has been the order of the day for the past week and thousands have been taken to market.

The wet weather continues and farmers and gardeners are expecting to have to set their fencing out to keep the rapid growing crops from pushing it down.

Bernham Thomas, who was tried before Esq. Porter a few days ago, charged with shooting and wounding Bag Price, was released, having proved justification.

Frank Burns (son of Dandy), who was released from jail on bonds some weeks ago, charged with obtaining goods by false pretenses, was surrendered by one of his bondsmen and is now behind the bars at Castle Baker.

Charles E. Herd spoke here Monday in the interest of his candidacy for Congress. Charles is a good boy and his friends would love to support him, but owing to the lay of the land they see no chance for his election and would be pleased to have him withdraw from the race.

The Teachers' Institute closed here Friday. It was said to be one of the most successful institutes that was ever held in the county. Prof. Chapman proved himself to be the right man in the right place. It was well attended and the teachers all seemed to readily respond to each and every call.

Congressman D. C. Edwards, who is a candidate for re-election, made a speech to a large crowd of citizens at the court house on the 25th inst. His speech was well received and it is generally believed with Herd in the race that Edwards will carry the county by a safe majority over John D. White, notwithstanding the former popularity of White in Owsley.

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Local and Personal

Dills' lamb chops are fine.

Fresh Cakes at Green Haddix's.

The finest drink in the world—C. Hadden's coffee.

Stop with Hart Bros., at Reed hotel when in Lexington.

Dog days began last Wednesday and will continue for forty days.

Judge S. S. Taulbee returned Sunday from a business trip to Louisville.

Call on Green Haddix for the best of everything in the grocery and fruit line.

Mrs. G. W. Fleenor, who has been very sick for several weeks, is doing nicely.

Mrs. M. L. Gorton returned last week from an extended visit to Asheville, N. C.

Charles Blair and Dan Richmond, of Ewing, Va., are the guests of J. B. McLin.

Rev. Edwin T. Preston will fill his regular appointment on Quick-sand Sunday, August 5.

Mrs. F. B. Endicott left Wednesday afternoon for a visit to her old home, Cynthiana, Ky.

You can get Sliced Ham, Breakfast Bacon, and all kinds of Fresh Meats at Hadden & Dills.

Roy Endicott, of Millersburg, Ky., visited his cousin, F. B. Endicott, and family last week.

Just arrived,
SWITZER CHEESE,
at HADDEN & DILLS.

Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Clark, of Stanton were here from Saturday till Monday attending the Baptist Association.

E. C. Hyden has purchased the Dr. Baker house and lot on River street, now occupied by Capt. W. R. Bradshaw.

Mrs. Elizabeth Parrott, of Robins, who has been very low for several weeks, is slowly but surely improving.

Green Haddix has opened up a first-class grocery store at the old Hadden stand on Main street, Phone 39.

J. B. McLin and family returned Wednesday from Toronto, where they had been on a vacation since last Saturday.

Dr. O. H. Swango's dwelling on Arlington avenue is almost under roof. Faris Back and Harlan Rice are the contractors.

Get in the swim. Buy a pair of catless suspenders. The coolest and dressiest worn.

HADDEN BROS.

The many friends of Mrs. Noah Rose, who is ill at a hospital in Lexington with typhoid fever, are glad to know that she is doing nicely.

A new line of up-to-date shirts, ties and gents' furnishing goods just received this week by Hadden Bros. See them before you buy and save money.

Capt. W. R. Bradshaw left about ten days ago for Hot Springs, Ark., where he is taking baths for an attack of rheumatism. The last report from him is that he is rapidly improving.

The funeral of Michael Gabbard, Sr., Mrs. Belle Gabbard and DeCoursey Whittaker will be conducted at the graveyard at the head of Gabbard's Creek by Rev. Clint Taylor and others on the third Sunday in August. Everybody invited.

Attorneys C. C. McChord, of Springfield; G. W. Gourley, of Lexington, and D. D. Fields and Felix Fields, of Whitesburg, are here attending the taking of depositions in the case of McLin and Kilburn vs. the Continental Realty Co., for damages for an alleged failure to comply with a contract to take 300,000 trees on North fork of Kentucky river in Knott, Perry and Letcher counties.

Smith and Abner Have a Fight.

John Smith and John Abner, now confined in our jail here, charged with the murder of Dr. Cox, quarreled last Wednesday about Curt Jett's connection with the Marcus murder and came to blows, but were soon separated by jailer Little and locked up in separate cells.

Killed by L. & A. Train.

Brant Spencer, 70 years old, a resident of Lee county, was last Saturday struck and instantly killed by a yard engine on the L. & A. railroad near Beattyville. Spencer was walking along the track and did not hear the train, which cut off his arm and part of his shoulder and broke both legs. Spencer lived on Bear Creek, near Filmore, and leaves a large family.

Fresh bread at Green Haddix's.

ATTEMPTED ASSASSINATION

Asberry Spicer Shot from Ambush Near His Home.

BLOODHOUNDS SENT FOR.

Asberry Spicer was shot from ambush near his home on Thursday and wounded in the shoulder. He is the star witness against Hargis, Callahan, Smith and Abner in the Cox murder case. Mr. Spicer was just returning home from Irvine, where he had been summoned as a witness for the Commonwealth on the hearing of Smith and Abner for bail.

Bloodhounds have been sent for and are expected on the scene today (Friday). Every effort will be made to hunt down the would-be assassins.

For a nice steak or anything in Fancy Fruits see Dills & Hadden.

Tenth District Convention.

The Tenth District Democratic Convention was called to order at Pikeville last Wednesday morning by Finley E. Fogg, chairman of the executive committee. Wm. Pinson, of Pike county, was elected temporary chairman, and Walter Gardner, of Morgan county, secretary by acclamation.

M. M. Redwine moved that the chair appoint a committee of five on credentials and a committee of seven on resolutions. John Gardner, of Magoffin, and Finley E. Fogg, of Morgan, offered as a substitute that each of the seven candidates select a member of the committee on credentials and that the chair appoint two. On a call of the counties, the substitute was lost by a vote of 35 to 57.

The chairman then appointed Charles Nesbitt, J. W. Sparks, J. R. Cline, W. L. Craig and A. J. Mayo a committee on credentials, all opposed to Byrd. As the counties of Breathitt, Knott and Magoffin were contested, the machine would not give Mr. Byrd any chance at all for them, not even one member to file a minority report. The chair appointed the following as a committee on resolutions: D. B. Redwine, M. M. Redwine, J. K. Roberts, John Stephenson, J. D. Martin, Earl Seiff and Tom Hatcher.

The first ballot resulted as follows: Byrd 26, Cooper 25, White 17, Davis 14, Hatcher 10, Hagins 5.

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JIMMY AND BRECK

Hold a Convention and Refuse Byrd's Friends a Fair Count.

The mass meeting to instruct delegates to the convention to meet at Pikeville to nominate a Democratic candidate for Congress in this district, was called to order last Saturday by Ed Callahan, who stated that the first thing in order was to elect a temporary chairman. Judge W. H. Blanton and Breck Combs were put in nomination, and James Brophy and Harlan Rice were appointed tellers over the objections of the followers of A. F. Byrd, but the objections were overruled by Callahan and those in the court house were ordered to the street. Brophy and Rice reported that Combs had the majority. The friends of Byrd then demanded a fair count, which was refused. Jim Hargis and Breck Combs then proceeded to do the business of the convention, Jim making the motions and Breck assenting to them. Jimmy and Breck then appointed Jim Hargis, Breck Combs, James Brophy, Wm. D. Back, G. W. Sewell and A. F. Lyon to vote as they saw fit, in other words, uninstructed, as Jimmy and Breck were going along to fix matters to suit themselves.

In the meantime Byrd's followers withdrew from Jimmy and Breck's convention and assembled on the first floor of the court house and elected E. L. Noble chairman and J. S. Cope secretary, and on motion the temporary organization was made permanent.

The chair then appointed a Committee on Resolutions, which reported the following:

FIRST. We approve of the time and place of holding this convention.

SECOND. We believe in Democracy in its purity, as taught by Jefferson and Jackson; that the majority should rule, and that every man should have the privilege of voting for the candidate of his choice, and have that vote counted as cast.

THIRD. Recognizing in the person of Hon. A. F. Byrd, of Clark county, a man of integrity and ability, an able and energetic Democrat, the delegates of this convention are instructed to cast the vote of Breathitt county in the convention to be held at Pikeville on August 1st for the Hon. A. F. Byrd as the Democratic candidate for Congress in this district, and to use all honorable means to secure his nomination, and to vote as a unit on all questions arising in said convention.

FOURTH. That Henry B. Noble, Hiram D. Back, S. B. Sidham, H. Fugate, E. J. Noble, John H. Blanton, J. S. Cope, Solomon Noble, Sr., Sam Callahan, Charles Terry, E. L. Noble, W. B. Cardwell, William Byrd, Isaac Terry, Flint Hagins, G. W. Smith, H. F.

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FIFTH. That all Democratic papers in the Tenth Congressional District are requested to publish these proceedings.

E. L. Noble, Chairman.
J. S. Cope, Secretary.

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Organ for Presbyterian Church.

A contract has been awarded to F. B. Endicott, to furnish a large organ for the Jackson Presbyterian church. This will be one of the largest and most expensive organs ever sold in Eastern Kentucky, and The News congratulates Mr. Endicott in securing the contract over Louisville and Lexington competitors. This tends to more fully convince us that it pays to deal at home.

The best creamery butter at Green Haddix's, 30c per pound.

A Cutting Affray.

Jeff Eversole, of Athol, while returning home last Saturday from the convention was dragged from the train near Oakdale and stabbed with a knife, inflicting five serious wounds. Warrants have been issued against Dodge Banks, Jeff Brewer, Steve Brewer and William Turner, charging them with the crime. Mr. Eversole bears the name of being a peaceable, quiet citizen.

Green Haddix has the nicest and freshest line of candy in town.

Bugsbodies of Jackson.

There are more people in Jackson who are self-appointed to attend other people's business than any town of the like size in your Uncle Samuel's domain. If Jackson had as many millionaires as she has rubbernecks she could make the millions of John D. Rockefeller fade into utter insignificance. Skidoo! Of course this don't mean you; it's intended for the other fellow.

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THE DEATH ROLL.

Whitley Johnson, of Athol, died in a hospital in Lexington last Wednesday after a long illness. His remains were brought home Wednesday evening and buried in the family burying ground Thursday.

Mrs. Polly Dunn died at her home near Robbins last Friday morning of heart disease. Her husband, William Dunn, fell dead in the cornfield just one month before of the same disease. They leave several children, mostly grown up.

George Mason, the seven months old child of Mr. and Mrs. Price Sewell, died last Wednesday after several weeks' illness of spinal trouble. The funeral was conducted at the residence Thursday afternoon by Rev. W. W. Green, after which the remains were buried in the Sewell grave yard.

Just step in the market house on Court street. Hadden & Dills.

Marriage Licenses.

The following marriage licenses have been issued during the past week:

Taylor Shockey, of Rose Fork, and Mattie Arnett, of Hendricks; George Raleigh and Eliza Barnett, both of Jackson; Everett Wadkins, of Oakdale, and Eliza B. Little, of Elkatawa; Sam Grigsby, Sr., aged 70 and Peggy Neace, aged 40, both of Lost Creek; Lee Back, of Decoy, and Mary J. McIntosh, of Rousseau; Nelson

SHERIFF'S SALE FOR TAXES.

By virtue of taxes due the Sheriff of Breathitt County, Ky., for the year 1905, for taxes due the State of Kentucky, and County of Breathitt, for 1905, as hereinafter appears, I, or one of my deputies, will, on

MONDAY, AUG. 27,

1906, it being County Court day, between the hours of 12 o'clock m. and 3 p. m., on the said day, at the front door of the Court House in Jackson, Breathitt County, Ky., expose to public sale at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand the various tracts and parcels of land hereinafter set opposite the names of persons from whom taxes are due, penalties, commissions, and costs of sale, of the following named persons, viz:

J. T. Davis, 100 acres, nearest resident Taylor & Cate, precinct 10, value of land \$300.00, tax and commission \$3.95, Sheriff's cost \$1.50, advertising \$1.00. Total, \$6.45.

America Green, 100 acres, nearest resident John Smith, precinct 7, value of land \$200, tax and commission \$2.65, Sheriff's cost \$1.50, advertising \$1.00. Total, \$5.15.

Rachael Grigsby, 25 acres, nearest resident John Grigsby, precinct 9, value of land \$125, tax and commission \$1.65, Sheriff's cost \$1.50, advertising \$1.00. Total, \$4.15.

Elias Mullens, 187 acres, nearest resident Jerry Deaton, precinct 8, value of land \$350, tax and commission \$4.68, Sheriff's cost \$1.50, advertising \$1.00. Total \$7.18.

Thomas Mullens, 150 acres, nearest resident Jerry Deaton, precinct 8, value of land \$350, tax and commission 4.68, Sheriff's cost \$1.50, advertising \$1.00. Total \$7.18.

Ellen Spicer, one town lot, value 700, tax and commission 9.50, Sheriff's cost \$1.50, advertising \$1.00. Total \$12.00.

Susan Smith, 50 acres, nearest resident Benton Smith, precinct 7, value of land 100, tax and commission 1.33, Sheriff's cost \$1.50, advertising \$1.00. Total \$3.83.

Jennie Smith, 50 acres, nearest resident Susan Smith, precinct 7, value of land 100, tax and commission 1.33, Sheriff's cost \$1.50, advertising \$1.00. Total, \$3.83.

Sarah Combs, 50 acres, nearest resident Robert Hensley, precinct 2, value of land 200, tax and commission 2.65, Sheriff's cost \$1.50, advertising \$1.00. Total, \$5.15.

J. C. Haddix, 20 acres, nearest resident Anderson Robinson, precinct 2, value of land 40, tax and commission 2.12, Sheriff's cost \$1.50, advertising \$1.00. Total, \$4.62.

James Haddix, 50 acres, nearest resident Wm. Haddix, precinct 2, value of land 100, tax and commission 2.95, Sheriff's cost \$1.50, advertising \$1.00. Total, \$5.45.

Wm. Haddix, 40 acres, nearest resident James Haddix, precinct 2, value of land 80, tax and commission 2.65, Sheriff's cost \$1.50, advertising \$1.00. Total \$5.15.

Albert South, 100 acres on Pan Handle, precinct 2, value of land 300, tax and commission 5.60, Sheriff's cost \$1.50, advertising \$1.00. Total \$8.10.

Lee Combs, 75 acres, nearest resident Sam Howard, precinct 3, value of land 200, tax and commission 4.24, Sheriff's cost \$1.50, advertising \$1.00. Total, \$6.74.

Oren Hollen, 45 acres, nearest resident Richard Hensley, precinct 3, value of land 90, tax and commission 2.80, Sheriff's cost \$1.50, advertising \$1.00. Total \$5.30.

Harve Hounshell, Jr., 100 acres, nearest resident Zeke Spencer, precinct 3, value of land 250, tax and commission 5.90, Sheriff's cost \$1.50, advertising \$1.00. Total, \$8.40.

Sam Haddix, 21 acres, nearest resident John Reynolds, precinct 3, value of land 350, tax and commission 6.23, Sheriff's cost \$1.50, advertising \$1.00. Total \$8.73.

Robert Hollen, 75 acres, nearest resident Emory Bowling, precinct 2, value of land 150, tax and commission 3.50, Sheriff's cost \$1.50,

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Andy Hollen, 75 acres, nearest resident Alford Hollen, precinct 3, value of land 200, tax and commission 4 00, Sheriff's cost 1 50, advertising 1 00. Total, \$6 50.

Jason Little heirs, 75 acres, nearest resident, Robert Little, precinct 3, value of land 300, tax and commission 3 95, Sheriff's cost 1 50, advertising 1 00. Total, \$6 48.

Ry. Little, 125 acres, nearest resident Ance Short, precinct 3, value of land 250, tax and commission 4 91, Sheriff's cost 1 50, advertising 1 00. Total, \$7 41.

Ollie Vires, 100 acres, nearest resident Elmeda Vires, precinct 3, value of land 200, tax and commission 4 24, Sheriff's cost 1 50, advertising 1 00. Total, \$6 74.

Lige Wadkins, 40 acres, nearest resident Huey Vires, precinct 3, value of land 80, tax and commission 2 65, Sheriff's cost 1 50, advertising 1 00. Total \$5 15.

Charley Wilson, 1 acre, nearest resident J. C. Edwards, precinct 2, value of land 50, tax and commission 2 25, Sheriff's cost 1 50, advertising 1 00. Total, \$4 75.

John H. Holbrook, 200 acres, nearest resident Irvine McDaniel, precinct 12, value of land 500, tax and commission 8 28, Sheriff's cost 1 50, advertising 1 00. Total, \$10 78.

Wash Colwell, 75 acres, nearest resident John Holbrook, precinct 12, value of land 150, tax and commission 3 50, Sheriff's cost 1 50, advertising 1 00. Total \$6 00.

Jackson Mann, 1000 acres, nearest resident John Mann, precinct 12, value of land 2000, tax and commission 26 50, Sheriff's cost 1 50, advertising 1 00. Total, \$29 00.

Jackson Mann, 1/4 interest in 250 acres, nearest resident A. C. Cope, precinct 2, value of land 500, tax and commission 5 30, Sheriff's cost 1 50, advertising 1 00. Total, \$7 80.

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THE PILLAR of LIGHT

By Louis Tracy.
Author of "The Wings of the Morning"
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Yet was he watching them and humming out the right course to adopt. He alone understood that to the novice the amazing ordeal from which the lighthouse had successfully emerged was as naive compared with the thunderous blows of the waves, the astounding reverberations of the hollow pillar, the continuous deluge of spray striking the lantern, which the infuriated sea would inflict on them.

To urge any further effort to sleep was folly. They must remain with him and be comforted.

Being reasonable girls, of fine spirit under conditions less benumbing, it

was better that they should grasp the facts accurately. They would be timid, of course, just as people are timid during their first attempt to walk 'twixt rock and cataract at the falls of Niagara, but they would have confidence in their guide and endure the surrounding pandemonium.

"Here's to you, Enid. Still we live," he cried, and drained his cup.

"Better sup on your cocoa," said Constance. "Now I am quits with you for this afternoon."

"I'll tell you what," went on Brand confidentially. "In that locker you will find a couple of stout pilot coats. Put them on. As I cannot persuade you to leave me you must sit down, and it is cold in here. Moreover, for the first time in twenty-one years I will smoke on duty. I have earned a little relaxation of the law."

Out of the corner of his eye he saw that Constance, if not Enid, had not missed the subtle hint in his words. But she was quite normal again. She gave no sign; helped her sister into the heavy reefers, and made herself comfortable in turn.

"Neither of you will ever regret tonight's experience—when it is nicely over," he said. "You are like a couple of recruits in their first battle."

"I am sure," began Enid.

A huge wave, containing several hundred tons of water, smote the lighthouse and carried over their heads.

The house that was founded upon a rock fell not, but it shook through all its iron-bound tiers, and the empty cups danced on their saucers.

Not another word could Enid utter. She was paralyzed.

"That fellow—arrived—in the nick of time—to emphasize my remarks," said Brand, lighting his pipe. "This is your baptism of fire, if I may strain a metaphor. But you are far better situated than the soldier. He gets scared out of his wits by his guns which are comparatively harmless, and when he has been well pounded for an hour or so he advances quite blithely to meet the almost silent hail of dangerous bullets. So, you see, in his case, ignorance is bliss."

"Are we in bliss?" demanded Constance.

"You have been. The lighthouse has outlasted a hurricane such as has not visited England before in my lifetime. It is over. The wind has dropped to a No. 10 gale, and we have not lost even a bit of skin to my knowledge. Now the cannonade is beginning. Certainly we may have the glass broken by a rare accident, but no worse fate can befall us."

A heavy thud was followed by a deluge without. They heard the water pouring off the gallery.

Constance leaned forward, with hands on knees. Her large eyes looked into his.

"This time, dad, you are not choosing your words," she said.

"I am sorry you should think that," was the reply. "I selected each phrase with singular care. Never be misled by the apparent ease of a speaker. The best impromptu is prepared beforehand."

"You dear old humming," she cried.

Now the quietude of the scene which followed the reappearance of Enid and herself from their bedroom was manifest to her. Enid, too, was looking from one to the other in eager striving to grasp the essentials of an episode rapidly grouping its details into sequence. Brand knew that if he parried his daughters' questioning they would be on their knees by his side forthwith, and he wished to avoid any further excitement.

"Please attend, both of you," he growled, with mock severity. "I am going to tell you something that will console you."

His voice was drowned by some part of the Atlantic whirling over the lantern.

"This kind of thing does not go on all the time," he continued. "Otherwise we should have five hours of spasmodic conversation. As soon as the tide rises sufficiently to gain an uninterrupted run across the reef we will have at least two hours of comparative quiet. About 4 o'clock there will be a second edition for an hour or so. I suppose that about a suggestion of bed."

"Will be scouted," exclaimed Enid.

"A nice pair of beauties you will be in the morning," he grumbled artfully. Not even Constance was proof against this new burden of woe. She glanced around.

"You say that," she cried, "knowing that the nearest looking glass is yards away."

He pointed with his pipe.

"In the second drawer of the desk you will find a heliograph. It is only a toy, but will justify me."

They ran together and found the little circular mirror. The next wave passed unheeded. Smiling, he went up to the lamp. Even yet there was hope they might go to bed when the respite came.

After much talk of disordered hair, wrinkled lips and other outrageous defects which a pretty woman mourns when divorced from her dressing table, Constance called him.

"Here is a queer thing," she said. "Have you heard any steamer hooting?"

"No," he answered. Bending between the two of them, he saw that the pointer of the anemoscope bore due southwest, though the last siren of which they had any knowledge sounded from the opposite direction.

He picked up a little trumpet resembling the horn of a motor car.

"I use this for tests," he explained. Its tiny vibrator quickly brought the needle round toward his hand.

"It is improbable in the highest degree that any steamer is near enough to affect the anemoscope," he said. "On a night like this they give the coast a wide berth."

He quitted them again. The girls, having nothing better to do, watched the dial to see if any change occurred. He heard them use the small trumpet three times. Then Enid sang out:

"Oh, do come, dad! It goes back to the southwest regularly!"

He joined in the watch. The needle was pointing north in obedience to the sound waves created in the room. Suddenly a sound round nearly half the circumference of the dial.

"Hush!" he said. They listened intently, but the roar of wind and water was too deafening. They could hear naught else. He went to the south-west point of the glass dome, but the lantern was so blurred with rivulets of water that he could see nothing save a tawny vastness where the light fell on the flying spindrift.

To make sure he tested the anemoscope again and with the same result.

"A vessel is approaching from the southwest," he announced gravely. "Evidently she is whistling for help. I hope she will not attempt to approach too near the reef. I must have a look out."

He put on an oilskin coat and tied the strings of a sou'wester firmly beneath his chin.

The small door of the lantern opened toward the bay, so he had no difficulty in gaining the gallery. The girls watched him forcing his way against the wind until he was facing it and gazing in the direction of the Solly Isles.

"Perhaps some poor ship is in danger, Connie," whispered Enid. "It makes me feel quite selfish. Here was I, thinking of nothing but my own peril, yet that little machine there was faithfully doing its duty."

"It was not alone in its self abandonment. We shall never know, dearest, how much father suffered when he sent us off with a jest on his lips. I am sure he thought the lantern would be blown away."

"And he with it! Oh, Connie!"

"Yes, he believed that that awful thing took place while we were below we might escape. I can see it all now. I had the vaguest sort of suspicion, but he hoodwinked me."

"Had we known we would not have left him!" cried Enid passionately.

"Yes, we would. Think of him, sticking to his post. Was it for us to disobey?"

Overcome by their feelings, they stood in silence for a little while. Through the thick glass they could dimly distinguish Brand's figure. A great wave assailed the lantern, and Enid screamed loudly.

"Don't, dear!" cried Constance shrilly.

"Father would not remain there if it were dangerous."

Nevertheless they both breathed more freely when they saw him again, an indeterminate shape against the luminous gloom.

Constance felt that she must speak. The sound of her own voice begat confidence.

"I have never really understood dad until tonight," she said. "What an ennobling thing is a sense of duty. He would have died here quite calmly, Enid, yet he would avoid the least risk out there. That would be endangering his trust. Oh, I am glad we are here. I have never lived before this hour."

Enid stole a wondering glance at her sister. The girl seemed to be gazing into depths immeasurable. Afterward the words came back to her mind.

"That would be endangering his trust."

Brand faced the gale a full five minutes. He returned hastily.

"There is a big steamer heading this way—a liner, I fancy," he gasped, half choked with spray. "I fear she is disabled. She is firing rockets, and I suppose her siren is going constantly, though I cannot hear it."

He ran to the room beneath. Flashed with this new excitement, the girls donned their oilskin coats and arranged their sou'westers. When he hurried up the stairs he was carrying four rockets. He noted their preparations.

"Don't come out until I have fired the alarm signal," he shouted, "and tie your dresses tightly around your knees."

They heard the loud hissing of the rockets, and the four reports traveled duly from the sky. Three white star bursts and one red told the Land's End coast guards that a ship in need of help was near the Gulf Rock. Probably they had already seen the vessel's signals. In any event they would not miss the display from the lighthouse.

Walking with difficulty, the girls crept out on to the balcony.

Brand had already gone to the windward side. The first rush of the gale made them breathless, yet they persevered and reached him. They were greeted by a climber, but their father, with a hand on their shoulders, pressed them down, and the spray crashed against the lantern behind them.

He knew they would take no harm. When the vessel passed, their boots and stockings would be soaked. Then he could insist that they should go to bed.

At first they distinguished nothing save a chaotic blend of white and yellow foam, driving over the reef at an apparently incredible speed. Overhead the black pall of the sky seemed to touch the top of the lantern. Around, in a vast circle carved out of the murky wilderness, the wondrous beam of the light forthright and conquered its unwearied foes. Constance caught the three quick flashes of the Seven Stones

lighthouse, away to the right. She fancied she saw a twinkling ahead, but this was the St. Agnes light, and neither girl could make out either light nor sound until Brand pointed steadily toward one spot in the darkness.

Before they could follow his indication they were compelled to duck to avoid another wave. Then, as if it had just popped up out of the sea, they divined a tiny white spar swinging slowly across a considerable area. It was by that means that Brand had estimated the size and nearness of the steamer, and soon they glimpsed the red and green side lights, though ever and anon these were hidden by the torrents of water sweeping over her decks. Of the vessel they could see nothing whatever.

Steadily she rolled along her fearful path. Having once found her, there was no difficulty in estimating the rapidity of her approach. Enid, whose eyes were strong and far-sighted, fancied she caught a faint vision of a big black hull laboring in the yellow waves.

Though it was difficult to speak, she crept close to Brand and screamed:

"Is she drifting on to the reef?"

"I fear so," he answered.

"Then she will be lost!"

"Yes, unless they manage to pass to southward."

Luckily for poor human nature, mental stress and physical effort rarely unite forces. The more anxious to resist the wind, the constant watchfulness needed to avoid the ambitious seas, though these, strange to say, appeared to be diminishing in size and volume as the tide rose, served to dull the horror of the threatened tragedy.

Brand quitted them for an instant to glance his eyes to the lantern after wiping a space on the glass. He must see if the lamp needed tending. Satisfied by the scrutiny, he stood behind the girls, who had shrunk closely together the moment he retired.

"They are trying to steer clear of the reef," he shouted. "Twice they have got her head around, but the sea is too strong for them. I am afraid she is doomed."

Now they unquestionably saw the great body of the ship. Her funnels showed most clearly, making sharply defined black dots on the heaving desert of froth. The plunging whirls of the masthead light were enough to prove how the unfortunate vessel was laboring in what might prove to be her final agony.

And the pity of it! The wind was dropping. In another hour the weather might moderate appreciably, the tide would sweep her away from the horrible reef and help would be forthcoming. Indeed, even then a powerful steam trawler was preparing to fight her way out of Poynze harbor, with brave men on board ready to take any risk to save a ship in distress.

But the hour was graded by fate. They could plainly hear the hoarse blasts of the steamer's fog horn, and again a rocket spurred its path to the clouds.

She was barely a mile away and, if anything, in a worse position than before, as the wind remitted itself in the southwest, and the tide at this stage carried in toward the land ere it began to flow back again to the Atlantic.

"Can nothing be done?" screamed Constance, rendered half frantic by the thought that the steamer would go to pieces before their eyes.

"Nothing," was the answer. "Pray for them. They are in the hands of God."

In grewsome distinctness they watched the vessel's approach. The siren ceased. Had these on board abandoned hope? Pitching and rolling in a manner that suggested the possibility of foundering in deep water, she came on with fatal directness. Suddenly a dreadful thought came to Brand's mind. The lighthouse stood on the easterly and most elevated portion of the reef, whose bearings ran southwest by west and north-northwest. At low water some two acres of jagged rocks were exposed. On all sides the sea feds fell to sixteen or eighteen fathoms. What if this helpless leviathan of 10,000 tons or more dead weight were to strike the pillar? This was quite possible with the tide at its present level. It all depended whether her bows were raised or lowered at the moment of impact. In the one case she would smash away many feet of rock and perhaps damage the foundations of the lighthouse; in the other, her sharp prow would stab into the vitals of the granite and the huge column might collapse in common ruin with its colossal assailant.

One of the girls, he never remembered which of them, spoke to him. He could not answer. For a second time that night he knew what four meant. He watched the onward plunging of the vessel with stupefied eyes. He saw, as in a dream, that her officers and crew were still making desperate efforts to weather the reef. But, with the utter malignity of fate, though they might have swung her to port, she would not budge a yard to starboard, for now both wind and waves assailed her most vehemently on the starboard quarter.

Then when she was little more than twice her own length distant he was certain that a dim form on the bridge signaled to the chart house. With a miraculous deftness, on the assumption that her wheel was put hard over, she fell away from the racing seas. Her red light disappeared, her green light curved into full view. The next wave lifted her bodily, with a mad joy that it should be able to use her to batter its enemy, the rock.

Then she struck, with a sickening crash that was plainly audible above the roar of the reef. This was not enough. Another rush of foaming water enveloped her and smashed her again on an inner ledge. There she lodged, falling inertly over to starboard.

And Brand found his voice once more, for as sure as this terrible night would have its end so surely had the gallant captain of the steamer refused to imperil the lighthouse when all hope of saving his ship had vanished.

The tears were in Brand's eyes. His arms encircled the two girls.

"There goes a fine ship commanded by a brave man!" he cried.

And that was the beginning of the captain's requiem.

CHAPTER VII.

JUST as the spin of a coin may mean loss or gain in some trumpety dispute or game of the hour, so like manner apparently as the graver issues of life or death are determined at times. It is not so, we know. Behind the triviality on

which men fasten with amazement as the governing factor in events there lies an inscrutable purpose. Yet, to those watching the destruction of the splendid vessel, there was little evidence of other than a blind fury in the fashion of her undoing.

The lower works had scarce left Brand's life before a third wave, higher and more truculent than its predecessors, sprang right over the lost ship and smothered her in an avalanche of water. No doubt this monster swept away some of the officers and crew. It was impossible to be certain of aught save the one thing—that the steamer would surely break up before their eyes.

The wind, now blowing in fierce gusts, the sea, rising each minute in clouds of spray chasing each other in eerie flights through space; the grinding, incessant, utterly overwhelming noise of the reef, made all sights and sounds indelible, nebulous, almost fantastic.

But when the giant billow receded, leaving the ship like a dark rock in the midst of innumerable cascades, the catastrophe took place which Brand would have sworn had never happened less tumultuous. With the support of the sea withdrawn from half its length the huge hull must either slip back into deep water or break in two. The slender steel shell of an ocean liner is not constructed to resist the law of gravity acting on full 5,000 tons. So the solid looking colossus cracked like a carrot, and the after part fell back into the sea, where it lay for some minutes, then, as if by magic, it disappeared less tumultuously. With the support of the sea withdrawn from half its length the huge hull must either slip back into deep water or break in two. The slender steel shell of an ocean liner is not constructed to resist the law of gravity acting on full 5,000 tons. 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